

18. (Amended) The disc drive of claim 13 wherein the machined external peripheral surface of the actuator has a tolerance of 0.005 inches or less relative to the desired profile dimension.

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19. (Amended) A disc drive comprising:  
a disc rotatable about a central axis; and  
actuator means for supporting and actuating a transducer relative to the disc and having a machined external peripheral surface with a desired profile dimension, which is within a tolerance of less than 0.010 inches relative to the desired profile dimension, that is defined for limiting variations in resonance characteristics of the actuator means.

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Please add the following new claims 20-21:

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20. (New) The disc drive of claim 19 wherein the machined external peripheral surface extends along an entire periphery of the actuator means such that the desired profile dimension is defined entirely by the machined peripheral surface.

21. (New) The disc drive of claim 19 wherein the machined external peripheral surface of the actuator has a tolerance of 0.005 inches or less relative to the desired profile dimension.

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